

STRUGGLE FOR MASTERY OF STOCK SITUATION IN GOLDFIELD DISTRICT

(Special to the Bonanza.)
GOLDFIELD, Nevada, Feb. 8.—Mastery of the market is the object sought by interests now engaged in assailing the leading Goldfield issues. One of the most desperate and successful coups on Goldfield securities was engineered last week by men remotely associated with the development of local mines. The application for the appointment of a receiver for the Merger Mines company and Goldfield Deep Mines company, the holding company for the former, brought prices to a new low level. The report had been circulated for two weeks and was believed to have spent its force before the real tempest augmented this excitement that has whirled and eddied around Goldfield since the opening of the year. The actual appointment of a receiver brought chaos and destruction. Every stock in the list was affected, timid stockholders were stricken with panic and the slaughter began. Merger, which sold at 40 cents one week ago, was begging buyers in San Francisco at 22 cents at the close of the week. Atlanta dropped from 42, the high of last week, to 35, and Jumbo Extension sold down to 79. Prospective and present litigation formed with apex rumors audaciously circulated by New York brokers were the responsible cause.

Today may clarify the atmosphere through an understanding being

reached by the conference having the Merger in hand. A settlement is not unlikely and it is recognized that lawsuits are expensive alike to stockholders and managers. Receiver Carl Johanson, appointed by the United States court at Seattle to take charge of the Merger Mines, with his attorney, has held several sessions with George Wingfield, who owns control of the Merger, and it is predicted that the case will never come to a head. The receivership accomplished a double purpose of smashing Merger and hammering Jumbo Extension.

While the bottom was knocked out of Merger on the stock exchanges, every expectation of stockholders was realized away down in the depths of the mine. The upraise did reach the long-looked-for contact last Friday at a height of 84 feet from the drift where eight feet of quartz was opened without reaching the shale. The quartz carried low values and Manager D'Arcy was proceeding to drift for shipping values when Receiver Johanson stopped all work by declaring he was appointed to conserve but not to operate the property. The people of Goldfield have looked forward for four years to the finding of ore in the Merger as the final demonstration of permanency. To have stopped at such a crucial period is vexing.

NEVADA BISHOP AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH

REV. L. H. TRACY INSTALLED IN
EPISCOPAL RECTORATE
AT TONOPAH

In accordance with arrangements previously made, and as announced in the Bonanza, the Rt. Rev. G. C. Hunting, Episcopal bishop of Nevada, preached the sermon at St. Mark's church, on Sunday morning, the Rev. L. H. Tracy, the newly appointed rector of the parish, assisting in the services, after which holy communion was celebrated, a large number participating.

The discourse of the bishop proved both powerful and interesting, and he made an eloquent plea for a demonstration of loyalty to the church, outlining the duties that devolved upon all churchmen in the exercise of their Christian professions. Mr. Tracy, in a few well chosen remarks, took occasion to express his keen appreciation in having been afforded an opportunity to serve the congregation as its permanent minister, and spoke in an optimistic vein regarding a successful ministry. The new rector made a distinctly favorable impression, relative to his personality and delivery, and with a united effort on the part of those interested, Mr. Tracy's labors in his parish should be crowned with marked success. As previously announced, Mr. Tracy will alternate between Tonopah and Goldfield each Sunday, and for the time being at least, will conduct services at St. Mark's church every Sunday evening at 7:30. His headquarters, however, will be located in this city.

Both clergymen left for Goldfield Sunday afternoon in order to hold services at that point in the evening.

CALIFORNIA RIVERS ARE NOW AT FLOOD STAGE

(By Associated Press.)
SACRAMENTO, Feb. 8.—Sacramento valley is in the grip of a rain and wind storm. Warm rains are falling on the snow on the Sierras, and streams are again rising. Floods are predicted on the American, Feather and Yuba rivers, which have reached the highest point for the season.

RICHARDSON'S BOARD BILL WILL BE SETTLED TODAY

Jack Richardson, who was arrested at Independence for beating a bill at Mrs. Harrington's boarding house amounting to \$135, arranged through a woman friend for the settlement of the account and will not be brought back for trial. He is said to have left Tonopah with the woman and her two small children.

VERNE H. HART, representing the International Smelting company, is here from Salt Lake City.

MANHATTAN PLACERS ARE GOOD PRODUCERS

PROPERTIES WILL BE WORKED
FOR YEARS AT PRESENT RATE

"Quite a number of sets of leasers are at work on the placers of Manhattan," said Thomas Ross, who is himself tributary on the Lucky Boy, one of the properties below Central. Mr. Ross, it will be remembered, caused considerable excitement in the gulch by a placer discovery he made some time ago. He said to a Bonanza man:

"A number of nuggets of considerable size are found within the limits of the town of Manhattan, but at Central the gold is quite fine, although it is more uniformly distributed. The system of mining is to sink a shaft to bedrock and then drift, allowing the ground to cave after the gravel is taken out. The overburden is never removed, although it would be if there were enough water for hydraulicking. The placers of Manhattan will be successfully worked for several years to come."

ANOTHER SHAFT TO BE SENT TO SHALE

DIAMOND VALLEY COMPANY IS
PREPARING TO EXPLORE
ON DEEP LEVELS

Preparations are being made for the development, upon a substantial scale, of the Diamond Valley property; the project having been liberally financed by Colorado men, through the agency of the H. A. Riedel Investment company of Denver. The operations of the company will be under the personal direction of E. A. Byler, a prominent mining engineer of Goldfield, who has familiarized himself with the ground and is impressed with its possibilities under a comprehensive system of development.

ADMINISTRATION LETTERS ARE GRANTED TO WIDOW

A petition for letters of administration on the estate of Matthew Noe was granted today to the widow by Judge Averill. The purpose of the application was to obtain possession of a legacy from the estate which was left to Mr. Noe about the time of his death.

MOTION GRANTED

A motion to strike out the bill of particulars was granted today by Judge Averill in the case of Amundsen vs. Kaizkau unless an answer is filed within the next five days.

JOHNNIE MINE SOLD FOR ITS PAST TAXES

NEW OWNERS WILL ARRANGE
TO RESUME WORK ON
THE PROPERTY

The Johnnie Mining and Milling company's property at Johnnie, Nye county, which was advertised for delinquent taxes for the year 1914, was sold for taxes this morning at the Nye county courthouse by County Treasurer Franklin. The property was purchased by M. B. Bartlett, a pioneer mine owner of the district, who was one of the original owners of the Congress mine, which was noted for its high grade specimen rock. The property, it is said, will be redeemed by the receivers, as the amount of delinquent taxes and costs was only \$270. It is the purpose of the receivers to dissolve the corporation, liquidate the indebtedness and close its affairs, after which there will be a receivers' sale, to be followed by a reorganization and resumption of work. The Johnnie has produced about three-quarters of a million dollars and has a good equipment, with a considerable amount of ore blocked out.

DISCRIMINATION NOT ACCORDING TO LAW

SUPREME COURT HOLDS AGAINST
SPECIFICATION OF UNION
SHOPS

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 8.—In a decision affecting the relations of union labor with California cities, the supreme court held that the San Francisco board of supervisors had no right to resolve that all the city printing be done by union shops. Further, the court held that the city has no right to stipulate, as it has, that all work for it shall be paid at a rate of not less than \$3 a day, and that the working day shall not exceed eight hours. City printing was awarded in 1913 to an open shop company. The mayor refused to sign the contract and the company appealed.

MEN BURIED ALIVE WHILE UNCONSCIOUS

HORRIBLE DETAILS OF OSLERIZATION IN HOME FOR AGED
ODD FELLOWS

(By Associated Press.)
YONKERS, Feb. 8.—To the story that eight inmates of the German Odd Fellows' home were put to death because they were aged and required too much attention, was added the suggestion today that two other inmates were buried alive while under an anesthetic. The coroner is investigating and the bodies will be exhumed. Undertakers were questioned. Henry Blum, an embalmer, confirmed the statement imputed to Fred Mors, a former nurse, who told the district attorney he caused the death of the inmates. With relation to the death of Henry Horn, Blum noticed a burn on his mouth and asked Mors. Mors explained it was caused by a cloth saturated with an anesthetic, which he tied to hold his mouth shut.

BURGLAR ENTERS THE WEST END SALOON

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARDS THE
EFFORTS OF MIDNIGHT
MECHANIC

Some time during last night a burglar entered the West End saloon on lower Main street after the place had been closed for the night. Entrance was gained by breaking in a panel of the rear door and shoving the bolt. A sack of money, containing about \$50, had been left by the night bartender. This was taken, as well as a small amount of change in the cash register. No stock is reported to have been stolen and no arrests have been made in the case.

M. B. ASTON, a pioneer mine promoter of Goldfield, is here for the day.

LUSITANIA'S USE OF FLAG WAS IMPROPER

VARIOUS AUTHORITIES CITED
ON THIS VERY INTERESTING INCIDENT

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Authorities in international law justify the use of other nations' flags on warships. Naval officers recall that navy regulations permit one warship to fly another flag, other than its own, but it specifically provides that it must be hoisted down, and the ship's own flag hoisted before a shot is fired. The Emden hoisted a Japanese flag before the daring raid on Penang. Chairman Stone of the senate foreign relations, while a White House caller, said he believed that flying the American flag by the Lusitania was "improper use of the flag."

SEVERAL PROCEEDINGS IN BANKRUPTCY COURT

REFEREE STILL HOLDING HEARINGS AND ONE SALE HAS BEEN ORDERED

J. Poujade, referee in bankruptcy, who is here from Carson City, is having a number of hearings. On Saturday there were three hearings on contested claims in the Dobrowsky bankruptcy case and all were disposed of. Two hearings were also had in the case of C. R. Simons. One was disposed of and the other was continued until this afternoon. On Saturday morning a meeting of creditors was held in the case of E. Dobrowsky to confirm a sale of jewelry made in San Francisco, the price being considered inadequate. The sale was not confirmed and an order was made by the referee to express the goods to Tonopah. Bids for their sale will be received. In the case of S. S. Lockett of Beatty a meeting of creditors was held and the bankrupt examined Saturday. The case was continued until this afternoon.

FIGHT FANS PLAN AN EXHIBITION

KID HARRISON AND BOBBY TRUDGEON ARE SOON TO BE MATCHED

Arrangements are being made by the reorganized Tonopah Athletic club to pull off a fight between Kid Harrison and Bobby Trudgeon. Details are now being arranged. It is planned to make the Tonopah volunteer fire department a beneficiary, although the department will not be financially responsible in the matter. The date of the fight will be announced shortly. It is hoped that it will not interfere with any of the plans of the Goldfield Athletic club or of local organizations that are preparing to give dances.

GERMANS BEGIN ANOTHER ATTACK IN ARGONNE

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, Feb. 8.—The Germans in Argonne have begun another of the repeated attacks which made that section of France one of the most bitterly contested battlefields of Europe. The Germans captured a portion of the allies' position. Fighting is still in progress.

LUSITANIA REPORT SENT BY AMBASSADOR PAGE

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Feb. 8.—Ambassador Page has forwarded to Washington the report of the Lusitania flag incident. It reviews informally the alleged use of the American flag by the Lusitania as described by the passengers. Mr. Page has received no report from the British admiralty.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

	1915	1914
Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:		
5 a. m.	32	30
9 a. m.	33	30
12 noon	41	35
2 p. m.	44	43

TWO MEN SHOT TO DEATH IN CABIN IN SOUTHERN END OF NYE COUNTY

Two employees of the Las Vegas and Tonopah railroad were brutally murdered yesterday afternoon between 2:30 and 6 o'clock by persons unknown. They were last seen at the first mentioned hour and their bodies were found about 6 o'clock by the crew of the evening train. One of the victims was John De Costa, foreman of the section crew and in charge of the pumping station at Ralston, near Cuprite, in Esch county, and the other was a man named Marino, who was employed on the section.

De Costa was shot while sitting in a chair in his cabin, bullets penetrated his head, left arm, right thigh and abdomen. Marino seemed to

have put up a fight against their assailants. His body was found outside the cabin. He was shot through the heart, right lung, left hand and leg. No guns or other weapons were found in or about the cabin. Last evening the Tonopah officials were notified and two cars immediately set out carrying Sheriff Slavin, Coroner Dunseath, Deputy Sheriff Al Haag, Undertaker Cavanaugh, Joe Kennison and Louis Amundsen. The bodies were brought to Tonopah at 8:30 this morning. They are at the undertaking parlors of Wonacott and Cavanaugh. It is believed that robbery was the motive for the crime and that the two men were shot through a window from the rear.

LANDED GENTLEMAN OF ENGLAND DIES

MARQUIS OF LONDONDERRY ANSWERS CALL OF DREAD REAPER

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Feb. 8.—The marquis of Londonderry, one of the foremost leaders of the Ulster movement, and one of the most successful members of the British bar, died today of pneumonia. He was aged 62. He was one of the great noblemen of the United Kingdom, being a Knight of the Garter, and was aide-de-camp to the king. He owned an estate of 50,000 acres.

ENGLAND LOSES OVER HUNDRED THOUSAND

PREMIER OF GREAT BRITAIN
GIVES ACCOUNT OF NATION'S LOSSES

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Feb. 8.—Mr. Asquith, in the house of commons, announced that the British casualties of all ranks in the western area, from the beginning of the war until February 4, amounted to 104,000, which includes killed, wounded and missing.

MAN RESCUED AFTER TWENTY-FIVE DAYS

BURIED IN CELLAR BY QUAKE, HE BELIEVED HIMSELF BLIND

(By Associated Press.)
ROME, Feb. 8.—Few men have lived to tell a stranger tale than Michel Cairo, who has been extricated from the earthquake ruins at Paterno, after being imprisoned for twenty-five days without food. He was in a cellar in total darkness. He believed himself to have gone blind and became frantic and lost consciousness. He came to and was dug out later after having lost count of the days. Finally he heard voices. He screamed "I'm alive." In three hours he was rescued.

PLEADS GUILTY TO MISUSING MAILS

(By Associated Press.)
MEMPHIS, Feb. 8.—C. H. Raine, president of the Mercantile bank when it closed a year ago, pleaded guilty to misuse of the mails. He is charged with using the mails to defraud, and conspiracy to obtain money under false pretenses.

WAR'S RULES SAID TO HAVE BEEN VIOLATED

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, Feb. 8.—A Nish dispatch says: The Austrians violated the Roumanian frontier near Turn Severin, firing on frontier guards. A furious fight followed, at the end of which the Austrians were driven back.

CABINET MEMBER WILL REPRESENT THE PRESIDENT

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—President Wilson plans to arrive in San Francisco on March 21. He has promised to send a cabinet member to attend the formal opening of the exposition.

STARS AND STRIPES AT LUSITANIA'S MAST

OCEAN GREYHOUND IS TRANSFERRED TO THE COLORS OF THE UNITED STATES

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Feb. 8.—News of the arrival at Liverpool under the American flag of the Lusitania has been given much space in the newspapers. The incident is regarded as of great importance, but the government is not expected to take action unless Washington requests an explanation.

HISTORIC MONASTERY INJURED BY QUAKE

INSTITUTION FOUNDED BY ST. BENEDICT FOURTEEN CENTURIES AGO

(By Associated Press.)
NAPLES, Feb. 8.—It was learned today that the historic monastery of Monte Cassino, near Naples, where St. Benedict in 529 A. D. founded the religious order bearing his name, was damaged by the recent earthquakes. The library was almost on the point of collapse. The monastery was used as an ecclesiastical training school.

YEA, YEA, YEA, SAITH THE OLD EAGLE BIRD

DECIDEDLY SOMETHING WILL BE
DOING WHEN TONOPAH
AERIE STARTS

Everybody will lay aside the sorrid in life, don the garb of terpsichore and enter into the fulsome pleasure spirit of the grand mask ball to be given by the Fraternal Order of Eagles on the evening of February 22nd.

The committee on arrangements has more than done its duty in the introduction of an unusually large number of attractive features. Many valuable prizes have been provided for, including prizes for the most original, the handsomest, the best sustained and group characters. All committees having immediate charge of the ball have decided to appear in evening dress instead of en masque; that no special invitations shall issue; that the function shall be a public affair; that a mask covering the face does not constitute wholly en masque; that none but those totally en masque shall be permitted to dance prior to the hour of unmasking; that on entering hall participants must raise their masks, give his or her name together with the character represented to the officer in charge for publication. All of these plans and requirements are ample evidence that the Eagles are still adding to their well-known reputation as the best of entertainers. Costumes may be rented from Lewis' stationery store.

PRECAUTIONS TAKEN TO PREVENT ACCIDENT

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Feb. 8.—As a safeguard against accidents at night in the darkened streets, the authorities have begun whitewashing all curbstones, poles and mail boxes in the outlying districts.